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1. ADDRESSING A RALLY HELD IN TRIPOLI APRIL 15 TO HONOR THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (SEPTEL), AHMAD SHAHATI, HEAD OF THE FOREIGN LIAISON BUREAU OF THE GENERAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS, DENIED THAT LIBYA SUPPORTS INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM. DECLARING THAT THE LIBYANS ARE A STRUGGLING PEOPLE AND ARE SPARING NO EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A JUST SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND WORLD PEACE, SHAHATI ADDED THAT THE PRESENCE OF DELEGATIONS AT THE CONFERENCE IS QUOTE CLEAR RESPONSE TO THE ALLEGATIONS MADE BY THE IMPERIALIST MEDIA THAT WE ARE WORKING FOR TERRORISM UNQUOTE. LATER IN HIS ADDRESS, SHAHATI REAFFIRMED LIBYA'S STAND AGAINST TERRORISM BY SAYING QUOTE WE ARE AGAINST TERRORISM AND ZIONISM. WE ARE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE AS IS CONFIRMED BY OUR STAND UNQUOTE.

2. COMMENT. THIS IS SECOND TIME IN A MONTH THAT A MAJOR LIBYAN FIGURE HAS DENIED ALLEGATIONS THAT LIBYA SUPPORTS INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM. QADHAFI MADE SIMILAR REMARKS IN A SPEECH DELIVERED MARCH 25 AT JEBAL AL-AKHDAR IN EASTERN LIBYA.

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